



13th February – 7th April

OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

STAFF IN OUR ROOM

Please have a look at www.parklanekids.co.uk to find out more about the staff.

Sue Wyles Level 2

Georgina Finlay Level 2

Bryony Rushton Level 2

Nicola Gardner Playworker

Sy Pryor - apprentice

WHAT THE CHILDREN HAVE PARTICULARLY ENJOYED DURING THE LAST 6 WEEKS

The children have been enjoying Karate sessions with Sy on Wednesday and Thursday evening. Sy takes a small group of 65 children with a member of staff and does a 30min Karate session with them. They have really enjoyed working together, learning respect for each other and getting the other staff involved. Thank you Sy!

This term we have invested in word search books, crossword books and some new older colouring books that all the children have loved. We have been buy making self-portraits to our display board and making some fab wish lists of things we would like at Woodlands.

OUTCOME FROM OUR PLANNING MEETING

We are looking forward to getting outside more as the evenings will be getting lighter and will hopefully be warming up.

After asking all the children at Woodlands out of school club to write down one thing they would more of at Woodlands here are the replies;

“More crafts” “Skating tech deck” “hot wheel cars and track” “balloon games” “making paper planes and boats and racing them” “Homework club” “3d craft fun” “football time”

We have taken all the suggestions from the children and are now looking at purchasing skating tech deck toys and some more cars and track for the children. We will now be setting up one table just for homework for any children that would like to complete theirs whilst in Woodlands, staff will be on hand to help where they can. We have been in talks with Town estate and they have agreed a monthly cost with Woodlands that means we can have access to Football golf every day during out of school hours, so there will be lots more football time!

Woodlands out of school staff team are liaising with the schools to incorporate what your children are learning about school into woodlands.

A few fun things Out of school club have planned over the weeks are,

Fairies, knights and dragoon craft week – (Library trips all week)

Healthy eating week – (designing healthy menus and cooking their recipes designed as a team)

St David’s week – (We will change tea one night to a welsh meal and will be baking welsh cakes throughout the week)

Maths week – (lots of fun number games, Sudoku books, card games and designing our own money for use at woodlands)

Red nose day crafts and fun activities all week – (crafts all week, baking cakes for the cake sale and Friday face painting)

Spring week. – (Nature walks around the country parks, making collages with items we find, a variety of spring crafts)

KEY DATES

28th February – Pancake day

1st March – St David's day

2nd March – World book day

12th March – World maths day

17th March – St Patrick's day

24th March – Red nose day

26th March – Mothering Sunday

31st March – Silly sock day

News

Rachel has now left the staff team but Bryony one of our nursery assistants has moved through to Owls.

The pre-school children are now preparing for big school so have been joining up with the school children 3pm till 6pm. We would love to hear feedback.

We are looking at offering a walking bus service to Asfordby hill and would to hear parents thoughts on this, any parents that wish for their children not to participate in the walking bus please let Katie in the office know.

Congratulations to Sue Wyles for passing her Level 2!

Polite Notices

Could all items of clothing, bottles and bags please be labelled, as recently we have had a few mix ups.

Could we please remind all parents that we have a no mobile phone policy within the setting, if a member of staff sees a parent within the room on their phones they will be asked to put them away.

Sally Williams has been promoted to Assistant Manager as Laurel Pepper is leaving the team to embark on a new career as an estate agent! We wish Laurel all the best.

Term dates.

13th – 17th February – Play scheme

20th February – Term starts

7th April – Last day of term

10th April – 21st April – Easter play scheme.

14th April – Good Friday setting closed

17th April – Easter Monday setting closed

24th April – Start of term

WHAT WE THINK WE CAN DO BETTER

A great way to show parents you reflect

As a staff team we reflected on the last 6 weeks and we think we can do better at enabling the children to play outside. The position of the garden and the overhang of the trees has meant that it has been too wet and muddy to play outside. However, the nursery are in the process of getting quotes to replace the mud with a wet-pour safe surface to enable outdoor play all year.

UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL RUNS

We are the proud owners of three 9 seaters and one 7 seater. All the cars have weekly checks carried out and staff always make sure they have the correct number of children's seats in their needed. We would like to introduce over the next term a game to measure and weigh the children to make sure the right seats are being used, if any parents wish their child/ren do not take part please let a member of staff know.

Behaviour of the children at the out of school has improved greatly, we are using the same behaviour technique as schools 1, 2, 3 Magic and we have restarted our pasta pot for rewarding good behaviour and kind acts.

For more information about the curriculum your children are learning (EYFS) or how they learn please visit our website www.parklanekids.co.uk and look on the parent's page. We have also uploaded lots of interesting articles and factsheets on the early years which include some great activities to play with your children.

You will also find previous newsletters and menu's

To keep updated about the fun things we do at nursery join our Facebook page woodlandskids